

Caller Questions from February 4, 2021

1. Tom from Lincoln: Reported a huge divot at the bottom of the exit off Route 146 North at Route 116 in Lincoln

The area was checked by our Maintenance Division and there are no potholes requiring immediate attention. What we saw involves vehicular braking: the existing pavement has moved and is pushing/moving the asphalt as traffic stops at the bottom of ramp. To help improve the riding surface of the current pavement structure, we plan to mill and pave this section of roadway at the completion of the Louisquisset Pike Bridge project at the end of this year. If what we saw is not what Tom was talking about, he can email us at help@ridot.net to let us know.

2. Alex from Cranston: Called to check if additional signage had been placed along several bike routes in the State that he originally asked about last October

To follow up to what we shared back in October, we had hoped to install additional bike route signs sooner but we were delayed. Presently, we plan to install them when the weather breaks.

As a general practice, we normally place signs at one-mile intervals along bike routes, depending on the road and other signage that is present.

3. Pam on the road: Asked for a stop sign at the merge from the General Stanton Inn to Route 1 North in Charlestown to prevent cars from just shooting out onto the highway

This on-ramp from Falcone Lane already has an acceleration lane to allow vehicles to get up to speed and enter the flow of traffic on Route 1. Adding a stop sign here is not recommended for safety reasons as it would make it much more difficult to enter Route 1 from this access point.

Caller Question from a Previous Show

1. Paul from Cranston: Said there are no lights in what he described as the first “tunnel” near the colorful shipping containers at the 6/10 in Providence

Based upon Paul’s call, we added temporary lighting at the northern end of the 6/10 project last week. This has improved the lighting in the area. However, we couldn’t find anything to match what he said as being a tunnel. If Paul could share more specifics about what he was referring to at help@ridot.net, we can take another look.

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- Website link to Gene’s show: www.ridot.net/news
- Call weekdays from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. [222-2450](tel:222-2450) or Email for help: help@ridot.net
- Website for help: www.ridot.net/help
- Call RIDOT for potholes, litter, debris in roadway at [222-2378](tel:222-2378)
- Road kill – DEM – [222-3070](tel:222-3070) ([recently killed deer only](#)). Otherwise call RIDOT at [222-2378](tel:222-2378)
- Bike Path issues: DEM – [222-3070](tel:222-3070) for East Bay and Blackstone bikeways. Otherwise, the city or town in which the path is located is the proper contact.
- National Grid [1-800-322-3223](tel:1-800-322-3223)
- RIPTA [784-9500](tel:784-9500)
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